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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

VIA HAND DELIVERY

David Waddell, Executive Secretary
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37238

Re: *Generic Docket Addressing Rural Universal Service*
Docket No. 00-00523

Dear Mr. Waddell:

In its Order of July 14, 2000, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority requested that BellSouth notify the Authority of any future changes in the "intraLATA toll settlement process." In response to that request, the attached letters are being submitted. On July 31, 2000, the attached letters were mailed to all of the incumbent local exchange carriers in Tennessee, except Citizens Telecommunications which currently operates under an originating responsibility toll settlement contract.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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Enclosure
cc: Charles Howorth



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Leo B. Shoemaker, Jr.
Director Industry Relations

July 31, 2000

Mr. Greg Anderson
Bledsoe Telephone Cooperative
203 Cumberland Avenue
Pikeville, TN 37367

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DTC Communications
111 High Street
Alexandria, TN 37012

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Highland Telephone Cooperative
7840 Morgan County Highway
Sunbright, TN 37872

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Loretto Telephone Company
136 South Main Street
Loretto, TN 38469

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4880 Navy Road
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Highway 52 Bypass
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